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This listing of the claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application:

Listing of the claims:

Claim 1: (currently amended) A method for detecting the presence of uterine or ovarian cancer in a patient comprising:

- (a) measuring levels of ESBPIII comprising a polynucleotide sequence of SEQ ID NO:1 in cells, or tissues ~~or bodily fluids~~ in a patient; and
- (b) comparing the measured levels of ESBPIII with levels of ESBPIII in cells, or tissues ~~or bodily fluids~~ from a normal human control, wherein an increase in measured levels of ESBPIII in said patient versus normal human control is associated with the presence of uterine or ovarian cancer.

Claims 2-10: (canceled).

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Claim ~~11~~: (previously presented) The method of claim 1 wherein the cancer is uterine cancer.

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Claim ~~12~~: (previously presented) The method of claim 1 wherein the cancer is ovarian cancer.

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Claim 13: (previously presented) The method of claim 1 wherein the levels of ESBPIII are measured in cells.

Claim 14: (previously presented) The method of claim 1 wherein the levels of ESBPIII are measured in tissues.

Claim 15: (canceled)

Claim 16: (previously presented) The method of claim 1 wherein the cancer is uterine cancer and the levels of ESBPIII are measured in cells.

Claim 17: (previously presented) The method of claim 1 wherein the cancer is uterine cancer and the levels of ESBPIII are measured in tissues.

Claim 18: (canceled)

Claim 19: (previously presented) The method of claim 1 wherein the cancer is ovarian cancer and the levels of ESBPIII are measured in cells.

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Claim 20: (previously presented) The method of claim 1
wherein the cancer is ovarian cancer and the levels of
ESBPIII are measured in tissues.

Claim 21: (canceled)